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Title:

AN ADVANTAGEOUS CARRIER

SOLUTION FOR VITRIFIABLE

**CONCENTRATIONS OF** 

CRYOPROTECTANTS, AND

COMPATIBLE CRYOPROTECTANT

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA Mail Stop AF

Dear Sir:

## **Introductory Comments**

In response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.